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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

RIGHTHAVEN LLC, a Nevada limited-
liability company,

Plaintiff,

v.

DANIEL CIRUCCI, an individual,

Defendant.

Case No.: 2:10-cv-01345

**COMPLAINT AND DEMAND
FOR JURY TRIAL**

Righthaven LLC ("Righthaven") complains as follows against Daniel Cirucci ("Mr. Cirucci"), on information and belief:

NATURE OF ACTION

1. This is an action for copyright infringement pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 501.

PARTIES

2. Righthaven is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, a Nevada limited-liability company with its principal place of business in Nevada.

4. Mr. Cirucci is, and has been at all times relevant to this lawsuit, identified by the current registrar, Tucows, Inc. (“Tucows”), as the registrant and administrative contact of the Internet domain found at <dancirucci.com> (the “Domain”).

JURISDICTION

7. Righthaven is the owner of the copyright in and to the literary work entitled: “Welcome back, Mr. President. Your economic policies suck.” (the “Work”), attached hereto as Exhibit 2.

9. Mr. Cirucci willfully copied, on an unauthorized basis, the Work from a source emanating from Nevada.

11. At all times relevant to this lawsuit, the Infringement has depicted and depicts the original source publication as the Las Vegas *Review-Journal*.

12. The subject matter, at least in part, of the Work and the Infringement, is the Obama administration's economic policies and their effect on Nevada's economy.

23. The Infringement replaced the Work's original title: "Welcome back, Mr. President. Your economic policies suck." with a new title "Yo, Mr. President: Your Economic Policies Suck!"

24. Mr. Cirucci did not seek permission, in any manner, to reproduce, display, or otherwise exploit the Work.

25. Mr. Cirucci was not granted permission, in any manner, to reproduce, display, or otherwise exploit the Work.

CLAIM FOR RELIEF: COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT

26. Righthaven repeats and realleges the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 25 above.

27. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to reproduce the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(1).

28. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to prepare derivative works based upon the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(2).

29. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to distribute copies of the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(3).

30. Righthaven holds the exclusive right to publicly display the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106(5).

31. Mr. Cirucci reproduced the Work in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(1).

32. Mr. Cirucci created an unauthorized derivative of the Work in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(2).

33. Mr. Cirucci distributed, and continues to distribute, an unauthorized reproduction of the Work on the Website, in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(3).

34. Mr. Cirucci publicly displayed, and continues to publically display, an unauthorized reproduction of the Work on the Website, in derogation of Righthaven's exclusive rights under 17 U.S.C. § 106(5).

35. Mr. Cirucci has willfully engaged in the copyright infringement of the Work.

36. Mr. Cirucci's acts as alleged herein, and the ongoing direct results of those acts, have caused and will continue to cause irreparable harm to Righthaven in an amount Righthaven cannot ascertain, leaving Righthaven with no adequate remedy at law.

37. Unless Mr. Cirucci is preliminarily and permanently enjoined from further infringement of the Work, Righthaven will be irreparably harmed, and Righthaven is thus entitled to preliminary and permanent injunctive relief against further infringement by the Defendants of the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 502.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Righthaven requests that this Court grant Righthaven's claim for relief herein as follows:

1. Preliminarily and permanently enjoin and restrain Mr. Cirucci, and Mr. Cirucci's officers, agents, servants, employees, attorneys, parents, subsidiaries, related companies, partners, and all persons acting for, by, with, through, or under Mr. Cirucci, from directly or indirectly infringing the Work by reproducing the Work, preparing derivative works based on the Work, distributing the Work to the public, and/or displaying the Work, or ordering, directing, participating in, or assisting in any such activity;

2. Direct Mr. Cirucci to preserve, retain, and deliver to Righthaven in hard copies or electronic copies:

a. All evidence and documentation relating in any way to Mr. Cirucci's use of the Work, in any form, including, without limitation, all such evidence and documentation relating to the Website;

b. All evidence and documentation relating to the names and addresses (whether electronic mail addresses or otherwise) of any person with whom the Defendants have communicated regarding Mr. Cirucci's use of the Work; and

c. All financial evidence and documentation relating to Mr. Cirucci's use of the Work;

3. Direct the current domain name registrar, Tucows, and any successor domain name registrar for the Domain to lock the Domain and transfer control of the Domain to Righthaven;

4. Award Righthaven statutory damages for the willful infringement of the Work, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 504(c);

5. Award Righthaven costs, disbursements, and attorneys' fees incurred by Righthaven in bringing this action, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 505;

6. Award Righthaven pre- and post-judgment interest in accordance with applicable law; and

7. Grant Righthaven such other relief as this Court deems appropriate.

DEMAND FOR JURY TRIAL

Righthaven requests a trial by jury pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 38.

Dated this ninth day of August, 2010.

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